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LETTER DATED 21 APRIL 1994 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions of my Government, I am writing to you concerning the press release of 15 April 1994 circulated in the United Nations by the Permanent Mission of Albania to the United Nations, to express the dismay of the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia because the United Nations has been abused to promote goals contrary to principles of its Charter.

The contents of this press release clearly indicate that the Permanent Mission of Albania has been openly involved in organizing and inciting demonstrations calling for the secession of a part of the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, which represents a flagrant interference of Albania in the internal affairs of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. By acting outside the scope of the normal functioning of the permanent missions to the United Nations, the Mission of Albania has violated provisions of the relevant international conventions.

This open call to separatism represents yet another in a series of examples of aggressive policy pursued for years by Albania towards Yugoslavia and other neighbouring countries with a view to destabilizing the situation and escalating already existing conflicts in the Balkans with the ultimate goal of creating a Greater Albania.

In an attempt to disguise obvious territorial aspirations towards the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Albania is seeking to create a new hot-bed of crisis by constantly provoking tensions on the Yugoslav-Albanian border and by openly encouraging and providing assistance to separatist forces in Kosovo and Metohija.

To achieve those ends, Albania provides training camps for terrorist groups, which it undertakes to infiltrate into the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Furthermore, there were attempts by Albania to provide arms to the Albanian separatists in Kosovo and Metohija with a view to creating conditions for a forceful secession of a part of the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia wishes to point out that such a policy of Albania represents a source of danger for peace and security in the Balkan region and is contrary to the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dragomir DJOKIC
Ambassador
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